



Queen Anne Cobblestone

The Newsletter of the Queen Anne Historical Society, Seattle, WA

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W. McGraw is Next Walking Tour

The Society's walking tours are among our most popular events. They offer an in-depth look at the neighborhoods in which we live and play. They provide the motivation for our researchers to dig out some background on Queen Anne's past. They offer new-comers to Queen Anne a chance to feel part of the community.

This fall's tour is called
"Around West McGraw".

It will be held Sat. Sept 23 at 10
am

Society President Kim Turner will lead this tour to see homes of historical significance, figures in hiding, and exalting architecture. We will consider the Love Family's influence, the role of Coe School and the businesses, both old and new, that served the area. You will hear surprising tales. Bring your walking shoes and allow 1-1/2 to 2 hours.

Join this fall's free tour on Saturday, Sept. 23 at 10 am at the corner of 3rd Ave W. and W. McGraw (Five Corners). Call John

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Vanishing Generations

Saving our community's oral history

Wed. Sept. 20, 7:30 pm

The Ballard Historical Society has been developing a program for the past year to record the recollections of immigrant families living in Ballard. These families may go back 100 years or 30 years, but they represent the first generation impressions of new citizens. Susan Cook, past-President of the Ballard Historical Society, will describe their program to collect and preserve some of the stories they have uncovered. This vanishing generation of immigrants, like Queen Anne's vanishing pioneers, hold tales that can help us understand our neighborhoods.

**Join your friends and neighbors at our next public meeting
Wed., Sept. 20, 7:30 pm**

**McClure Middle School Library
First West and West Crockett**

The meeting is free and open to the public. It begins at 7:30 pm at McClure Middle School Library at 1915 1st Ave. W. on Queen Anne. For more information, contact John Hennes at 206-284-2266.



The April 15 walking tour of W. Highland Drive attracted history buffs from all over.

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CALENDAR OF

Wed. Sept. 20th

Program. Susan Cook of the Ballard Historical Society on *Vanishing Generations*. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

(See story, p. 1)

Sat. Sept. 23rd

Walking Tour: "Around West McGraw". Meet at Five Corners (3rd Ave W. and W. McGraw St.) Time 10:00 am. Free.

(See story, p. 1)

Wed. Nov. 15th

Program: Rhinestone Rosie will discuss vintage costume and estate jewelry and provide evaluations of yours. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

(See story, this page)

Wed. Jan. 17th, 2001

Program: Subject not yet available. McClure Middle School Library, 7:30 pm. Free.

Wed. Mar. 21, 2001.

Program: Charles Payton on QAHS role in Seattle Sesquicentennial in 2001. McClure Middle School Library,



Rhinestone Rosie to be Star of November Meeting

The November 15th membership meeting at McClure will bring a real treat to our members and friends.

Rhinestone Rosie, whose vintage jewelry shop is at 606 W. Crockett, will present a program describing the varieties of vintage costume and estate jewelry. She will show pictures and samples of jewelry and, most intriguingly, **will provide an informal appraisal and damage assessment of your own jewelry.**

(See *Rosie*, on page 3)

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The Queen Anne Historical Society was formed to record and preserve, in permanent form, the history of the settling of the Queen Anne community and to develop within the community an appreciation and concern for its history and its historical sites.

SOCIETY NEWS

History Book Makes Great Gift

The history of Queen Anne has been published in the Historical Society's book: *Queen Anne—Community on the Hill*. It is available at local book stores or by mail order (see the ad on p.2 and the coupon on p.3). This is a wonderful gift for the coming holiday season. We regularly receive mail order requests from former Queen Anners all over the country who want to preserve a piece of their own history.

Oral History Review

Society Archivist Bob Frazier is starting a project to review our oral history tapes. We need your help. Our many tapes need to be rewound and reviewed. Some need indexing or even transcribing. If we knew what was on these tapes we would be better able to aid researchers, the public and ourselves with programs and source material.

It is a fascinating experience to listen to the voices from the past and hear their stories. This is an on-going program and you can help keep it moving. Contact Bob Frazier at 285-0958.

Get Acquainted with Queen Anne

We are thinking of holding an afternoon 'tea' for newcomers and old-timers to Queen Anne to chat and to look at photos of the houses in the blocks around this year's St. Anne's Tour of Homes. We're trying to find ways to let our many new neighbors get acquainted with the hill's past (& present). If you are interested in this as-yet-unscheduled event, give a call to Isabel Egglin at 206-286-3605.

Kinnear Park Changes in Work

The city of Seattle Parks and Recreation Dept. has been seeking comments on plans to make significant changes to Kinnear Park for landslide mitigation and for public safety. A meeting on Sept. 6 brought forth vocal supporters and opponents of proposed changes. The changes include pruning or removing much of the vegetation along W.

(*Rosie*; Continued from page 2)

Rosie has been described as a national treasure because of her vintage jewelry repair capabilities. This seasonal program of glitter and stories will get you off to a good start for the holidays.

For our Society members and your friends, this is a unique opportunity to find out about any heirloom pieces you may have been saving in your family. Please limit to 2 or 3 pieces the items you bring in for Rosie to evaluate. **Tell your friends, mark your calendar and save the date of Wed. Nov. 15.**

Olympic Place. The park dates back to 1887, long before the 1903 Olmsted Report on parks. It has undergone many changes over the years. To learn more, contact Parks and Recreation at 684-0796,

Queen Anne Archaeology?

by Bob Frazier

Through its membership in the Association of King County Historical Organizations (AKCHO) the Society now has a copy of the new Archaeology Resource Guide by Amy Dugas and Paula Johnson. This guide, funded by the King County Hotel/Motel Tax Fund, is a 3-ring notebook containing eight sections on various aspects of archaeology in King County.

The material includes definitions and examples of archaeology and a list of sites in King County. It discusses stewardship. It gives references to laws, and resources both local, national and on the internet.

We will have this Guide available for your inspection at the September meeting, or you may call archivist Bob Frazier at 285-0958 to see it at our archive.

If you have an interest in local archaeology, whether on Queen Anne or elsewhere, you will find this guide very informative and very useful.

Yes, I want to join the Queen Anne Historical Society in preserving our community's heritage and promoting the public's understanding of its past.

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Yes, I want to order the Society's book, *Queen Anne, Community on the Hill*, for \$25 a copy. Enclosed is a check for _____ for _____ copies.

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**THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER
BY KIM TURNER**

Having spent two summer months moving, I now find it easier to understand why so many people leave the job to the professionals. At least, from my new location on Phinney Ridge, I am still able to see part of Queen Anne Hill.

Several QAHS members have said we need a plan for an aspect of Queen Anne to which we need to give the most attention for the program year June 2000-May 2001. I propose that we need to make a photographic record of the many changes which our community is undergoing. All members are encouraged to supply a list of ideas, buildings, streets and houses which need to be photographed due to their possible destruction.

Are any of you who live near Coe School taking pictures of the construction/worksites? The photos which my sister took 40+ years ago of construction of an apartment complex across the street from our house are among the few examples we have of documented building-in-progress photos from that period.

We need a fund for photo taking, and really push to get the hill covered. There is a new house which has been built at the northeast corner of the hill, just above Aurora Avenue. A new home recently constructed on Boston St., about 3rd North, ought to be photographed while it is free from any plant growth. Kinnear Park will be changing. You get the picture. No, I really mean, take the picture.

You take the picture. Go out in front of your own homes and shoot pictures of all the buildings along your street. Middle of the block shots from across the street; angled shots at the corners from each end of the block. If all of us do just our own blocks, it will make a terrific set of photographs covering the wonderfully varied house and building styles around the Hill. Please, go get that old box camera, or whatever type of camera you have - TAKE THE PICTURE, PLEASE!

Kim R. Turner,
President, 2000-2001.

Kim can be reached at e-mail: ktturner@spl.org

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about how you can share in making and keeping Queen Anne's history.**